GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RURAL DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:102
ANSWERED ON:20.02.2001
RURAL ROADS UNDER PMGY
JAGDAMBI PRASAD YADAV;RAGHUVANSH PRASAD SINGH;RAM SHAKAL;RASA SINGH RAWAT;SURESH CHANDEL

Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) The salient features and target of the `Pradhan Mantri Gram Sarak Yojana` enforced by the Central Government and the types of roads proposed to be constructed thereunder;

(b) whether the rural roads connectivity programme under the Pradhan Mantri Gramodaya Yojana (PMGY) has since been finalised;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) the number of villages likely to be connected by rural roads under the scheme, State-wise;

(e) the agency appointed for carrying construction work under the scheme;

(f) the funds allocated for this purpose, State-wise;
(g) the manner in which the Government has ensured participation of Members of Parliament under the scheme; and
(h) if not, the time by which the Pradhan Mantri Gram Sarak Yojana is likely to be finalised?

Answer

MINISTER OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT(SHRI M. VENKAIAH NAIDU)

(a) to (c) The Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY) aims to connect all unconnected Habitations with a population of over 1000 persons through good All-weather roads by the year 2003 and those with a population of more than 500 persons by the year 2007. The salient features of PMGSY are at Annexure-I.

(d) A Statement indicating the State/ Union Territory - wise status of rural connectivity is at Annexure-II. It is expected that about one lakh of the unconnected villages would be covered under the Programme.

(e) One or two Executing Agencies identified by the State Governments would undertake the road works under the Programme.

(f) A Statement indicating State/ UT- wise allocation of funds for Rural Roads for the year 2000-2001 is at Annexure-III.
(g) The Guidelines of the Programme envisagethat the District Rural Roads Plan wouldbe approved, duly taking into account the views and suggestions of the local Members of Parliament and Members of State Assembly. A letter in this regard has been addressed to all the Chief Ministers by the Minister of Rural Development.

(h) Does not arise.

Annexure I
Annexure referred to in reply to Part (a) to (c) of the Lok Sabha Unstarred Question 102 to be answered on 20.2.2001.

SALIENT FEATURES OF PRADHAN MANTRI GRAM SADAK YOJANA

The objective of the Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana is to provide Road Connectivity, through good All-weather roads, to all Rural Habitations with a population of more than 500 persons by the year 2007 (end of Tenth Plan period), depending upon availability of funds. In the process, all unconnected Habitations having a population of more than 1000 persons would be covered in the next three years. .

The Primary focus of the programme is on construction of new roads. However, upgradation (to prescribed standards) of existing roads will be permitted to be taken up under the Programme so as to achieve connectivity through good All-whether roads.

The Rural Roads to be taken up will, by and large, be surfaced roads (black topped/cement concrete). However, depending upon the soil conditions, All-weather roads may also be Gravel Roads, but with all necessary cross-drainage structures.

The Programme will be executed on Project Mode.

The PMGSY will be implemented through Executing Agencies identified by the State Governments/UT Administrations. .

The project proposals, formulated at the District level would first be considered by the State Government and, upon its approval,the same would be forwarded to the Ministry of Rural Development.

At the Central level, an Empowered Committeewould meet as often as required, to consider the project proposals. The recommendations of the Empowered Committee would, thereafter, be submitted to the Minister of Rural Development for further orders/approval.

The road works would be executed by the PIUs and completed within a specified timeframe.

The PMGSY will aim at close monitoring and supervision of all works and will institute a system of independent and qualified Monitors.

The Rural Roads constructed under the Programme will in due course, be maintained by the concerned Panchayati Raj Institutions (District Panchayat/Intermediate Panchayat),

State Governments will have to make a commitment to make over the requisite funds for maintenance to the Panchayati Raj Institutions.

ANNEXURE-III
Annexure referred to in reply to Part (f) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 102 to be replied on 20.2.2001

State/Union Territory-wise Allocations for Rural Roads for the year 2000-2001

S.No.	States/UTs	Amount (Rs. In crores)
1	2	3
1	Andhra Pradesh	190
2	Bihar	150
3.	Chhattisgarh	87
4	Goa	5
5	Gujarat	50
6	Haryana	20
7	Himachal Pradesh	60
8	Jammu & Kashmir	20
9	Jharkhand	110
10	Karnataka	95
11	Kerala	20
12	Madhya Pradesh	213
13	Maharashtra	130
14	Orissa	175
15	Punjab	25
16	Rajasthan	130
17	Tamil Nadu	80
18	Uttar Pradesh	315
19	Uttaranchal	60
20	West Bengal	135
21	A&N Islands	10
22	Dadra & Nagar Haveli	5
23	Daman & Diu	5
24	Lakshadweep	5
25	Pondicherry	5
	North Eastern States	
26	Arunachal Pradesh	35
27	Assam	75
28	Manipur	40
29	Meghalaya	35
30	Mizoram	20
31	Nagaland	20
32	Sikkim	20
33	Tripura	25
	Total	270